

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND REGULATION

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South Dakota Board of Barber Examiners

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> BOARD MEETING January 24, 1994

President Bonnie Solem called the telephone conference meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., Monday, January 24, 1994. Board members present in Sioux Falls were: Bonnie Solem and Rhonda Gibson. Mark Andersen was present in Rapid City. Tom Weber and Executive Secretary Jamie L. Post were present in Pierre. Others present included: Kim Knutson, Ginny Wilgers, Bob Melmer, Diane Smith, Cathy Stavig, Chris Kristoferson, and Jeannine Loesch. Jeff Loesch and Royce Loesch came later in the meeting.

Mark Andersen moved to approve the minutes of the October meeting. Tom Weber seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

The minutes of the National Association of Barber Boards of America were discussed.

Membership dues to the National Association of Barber Boards were discussed. These have not been paid due to the financial situation of the board. Weber moved and Andersen seconded a motion to have Post write a letter to the National Association asking if we can waive this years dues or wait until next year and pay both years dues due to our situation. All in favor, motion carried.

Letter to the Board of Finance. Weber explained the proposed letter to the Board of Finance asking to borrow money from the general fund. Post explained the expenses, especially the inspectors contract. Andersen asked if we can waive the inspections this year since the year is half over and we will have to do inspections again so soon. Weber thought that if we do inspections in May, that we could just do them again next May. Weber stated we do have the opposition on our legislation. There is a new hearing this Friday and we may not get our increased funding. If we do not get legislation passed, the Board of Finance may turn down our request for the loan.

9:12 a.m. the conference call was cut off. 9:24 a.m. the conference call resumes.

Letter to the Board of Finance continued. Gibson moved and Weber seconded a motion to send the letter asking for the loan. All in favor, motion carried.

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Solem introduced our new board member. Rhonda Gibson has been appointed to the Board and has replaced Steve Klooster. Everyone welcomed Rhonda.

The inspection contract expense on the letter to the Board of Finance is not the correct amount. Likness submitted a bid to do the inspections for \$4,200. The board has a few options:

- 1. The board members can do the inspections as they have in the past.
 - 2. Put the contract out for bids.
 - Pay the \$4,200 to Likness.

Weber mentioned that the Commerce Committee suggested that we contact the Cosmetology Board and contract with them to do our inspections. This was not well received. Weber then suggested we compromise with Likness and meet him half way. Discussion was held as to the cost of the board doing the inspections versus having a contractor do the inspections. The savings wasn't too much but it was liked by the board members. Weber suggested we put this out for bids. We would need to conduct interviews again, and this could be done at the April meeting. Weber moved that we defer this decision until the next meeting. No second. Andersen suggested that the motion stand until we contact Likness to see if he will do the inspections for \$3,600. Post recommended we contact Likness and see if he is willing to do the inspections for \$3,600. If not then table this until the next meeting. Andersen moved and Gibson seconded a motion that Post contact Likness regarding the \$3,600 contract. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business.

Weber gave us an update on the proposed legislation regarding raising the fees. The board has some opposition to this, especially the expenses and the executive secretary contract. He contacted a person in Pierre who does administrative work for boards and his fee is more than Post is currently getting for the Executive Secretary. Weber is currently getting the board's expenses together for the past several years to compare expenses and revenue.

Bob Melmer, President of the Association, advised that he visited with eight of his nine directors and the association in general is not against the fee increases proposed by the board. He is concerned with the education and wants to be apart of it. The executive secretary should have nothing to do with the bill. The association as a group agrees with the bill and it should be passed. Post advised that the continuing education proposed legislation does not mean that continuing education will begin immediately. This bill can pass and the board can look at the continuing education and can send out a survey to get the barbers' opinion of continuing education. The board and the

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association can have a joint effort to study the possibility of continuing education. Weber mentioned that a public hearing has to be held prior to any changes in rules. This could take approximately two years. Melmer questioned the \$3.00 per barber that the board currently gives the association in support of education. Post advised, if the legislation passes, the board will not be authorized to give out money to the association.

Jeannine Loesch questioned Melmer about when the association voted to back the board's legislation. Melmer explained he contacted his directors. Weber asked Melmer for a letter of support or for Melmer to be at the hearing on Friday. Melmer plans on coming to Pierre for the hearing.

Association Vouchers. Post and Gibson explained that Gibson would not be voting on this due to a possible conflict of interest. We have receipts for \$175 for the speaker and \$47.27 for postage and telephone expenses from the association for the convention held in September. The association is asking for a reimbursement for these expenses. Weber moved that the board pay these expenses and clear up expenses of the last convention. Andersen seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Gibson abstained from this vote.

Barber School. Weber recently received information from the Department of Education. He suggests the board table this until the fall due to other commitments the board currently has. Weber advised that Watertown Tech is the only place he has checked. Andersen moved and Gibson seconded a motion to table this until the fall meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 18, 1994, in Pierre.

Weber asked for comments regarding the first telephone conference call of the Board. Post explained that the next time the board has a meeting where they are not required to travel to Pierre, we will look into using the RDT Network through the State.

Andersen questioned if there is anything that can be done about applicants who do not show up to take the exam when they are scheduled. Post explained we do not have the authority to charge them for not canceling, but we do call applicants prior to the test meeting to remind them of the test.

Andersen moved and Gibson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. Board members asked to see the bill for the conference call.

Bonnie Solem, President

Jamie L. Post, Ex. Secretary

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